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Two compete for MRI scanner in Lincoln County

RALEIGH – Two applicants have filed competing applications with the Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation to acquire and operate a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scanner in Lincoln County.

A public hearing for these projects has been scheduled for 11 a.m. on May 13 in the Rehearsal Hall of Lincoln Cultural Center in Lincolnton.

The 2008 State Medical Facilities Plan identifies a need for one fixed site MRI scanner in Lincoln County. A summary of the proposals follows:

- Carolinas Medical Center-Lincoln proposes acquiring a \$3.4-million MRI scanner to be located in a modular building on the medical center campus.
- Presbyterian Diagnostic Center at Lincoln and Novant Health propose developing a \$10.1-million outpatient diagnostic center in Denver with an MRI scanner, a CT scanner, and digital mammography, ultrasound, and x-ray equipment.

Anyone may file written comments concerning these proposals. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than May 1 at the following address:

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